



Holy Cross Parish

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Holy Cross is the Parish of the Archdiocese of St. Andrews and Edinburgh, a Charity registered in Scotland – number SC008540

7th July 2024 – Saints Peter and Paul Sunday Mass - year B

Mass Times: 5.30pm (vigil); 9.00am MM (in Polish); 9.30am HX; 11.30am MM; (see end of newsletter for details).

Streamed: 7th July Sunday Mass 11.30am 14th June Sunday Mass 11.30am

[Go to the parish website to click on the link for the streamed Mass.](#)

Confessions: HX after 10.00am Mass Saturdays; MM 11.15am Sundays; or on request.

Dear Parishioners and Friends,

As we enter the summer season and school holidays some of us have a little more time to catch up on things we have been meaning to do for a while. It can also be a time to give ourselves to developing areas of faith we feel attracted to looking at. We may take time to look at important Catholic websites, especially that of SCIAF, we may come to a weekday Mass, we may pray in a different way from usual, we may read a pamphlet or book that we think may build up our faith, we could read a chapter of the Gospel each day.

The summer period goes by very quickly; why not plan to do something to build up your relationship with Jesus and the Church.

Sincerely

Fr. Hand

Ordinations

Congratulations to Paul Henderson and Peter Shankland who were ordained to the sacred priesthood at St Mary's Cathedral recently. Fr Paul is to be Assistant Priest at St Margaret's, Davidson's Mains and SS John the Baptist & Kentigern's, Edinburgh; Fr Peter will be Assistant Priest at St Francis' Xavier's, Falkirk. Both appointments begin on 6 September. Please keep them in your prayers as they begin their ministry.

The New Lectionary

Thanks to those who have supported the appeal for the new lectionaries and the Books of the Gospels. There is still an opportunity to sponsor one of the Books of the Gospels (£235), one of the larger lectionaries (£150) and one study lectionary (£55). The parish Mass books will have to be replaced gradually and this may also be an opportunity to sponsor new books on a smaller scale.

Parish Thrift shop: the opening planned for 10th July is postponed for a short time.

Laudato Si Group: Meeting 10.45am Saturday 13th July in the parish house.

We pray for James Tennant who has died. His funeral Mass will take place in St. Margaret Mary's at 10.00am on Thursday 11th July.

SCIAF School Volunteers: SCIAF is looking for volunteers to support its work in schools across the Archdiocese. You'll receive training, travel expenses and a fulfilling role that uses your gifts to serve God and others. To find out more email schools@sciaf.org.uk

Lourdes

Pilgrims from across the Archdiocese are in Lourdes this week for the annual pilgrimage, led by Archbishop Leo Cushley. We wish all pilgrims a happy and holy time. Find out more about the pilgrimage at <https://www.edinburgh-lourdes.com/>

African & Caribbean Community - The next Mass with the African & Caribbean community in the Archdiocese is at St Cuthbert's Church, 104 Slateford Road, Edinburgh, EH14 1PT at 2pm on Sunday 7 July.

Mass for the Chinese Catholic Community | 華人天主教團體彌撒

Mass is celebrated on the second Sunday of each month in Cantonese and English at 2:00pm at Sacred Heart Church, 28 Lauriston Street, Edinburgh, EH3 9DJ. The next Mass in Cantonese and English will be on Sunday 14 July at 2pm. On Sunday 21 July, Fr Li Chi Yuen will celebrate Mass in Cantonese at 2pm. All welcome.

每月第二主日下午二時有粵語和英語雙語彌撒。有懂粵語的神父來訪時會另開粵語彌撒。彌撒後有茶聚。歡迎所有人參加。如有查詢，請聯絡劉偉明執事

'A City of Faith' walking tour: This free walking tour will visit key sites in Scotland's capital that have been centres of the worship of God. Meet at St Mary's Cathedral, Broughton Street, at 9:30am on Saturday 13 July. Bring a packed lunch and dress for the weather. Includes Mass celebrated by Archbishop Cushley at St Patrick's in The Cowgate at 12:30pm. Queries to frrobert.taylor@staned.org.uk

200 Club draw – June

The draw was made for the June prizes at Holy Cross after Mass on Sunday 23rd June.

1st prize £100 No 2 Kath Hardie - Holy Cross

2nd prize £50 No 40 Roddy McMonagle - Holy Cross

There are still numbers available if you wish to join the 200 club for this year. Just send an email to RobertbMcGee@btinternet.com

Preface for Sunday II EP III

Readings: First Reading Ezekiel 2:2-5; Psalm 122: "Our eyes are on the Lord till he show us his mercy."

Second Reading 2 Corinthians 12:7-10; Gospel: **Mark 6:1-6**

Saturday	6th July	5.30pm HX	
Sunday	7th July	Polish Mass 9.00am MM 9.30am HX 11.30am MM	Stephen Matthews.
Monday	8 th July	10.00am HX	Gerard Allan
Tuesday	9 th July	10.00am MM	
Wednesday	10 th July	10.00am HX	
Thursday	11 th July	10.00am MM	Funeral James Tennant
Saturday	13 th July	10.00am HX	
Saturday	3th July	5.30pm HX	
Sunday	14th July	Polish Mass 9.00am MM 9.30am HX 11.30am MM	Mr. Walsh

From Archbishop

Funding for teachers: Are you a teacher considering studying for the Catholic Teacher's Certificate to teach Religious Education? The Archdiocese will pay half the cost of this course for 20 teachers working in our Archdiocese. For an application form please email kay.leslie@staned.org.uk

Way of St Andrews - Pilgrimage in Scotland? Try the 'Little Camino', Scotland at its best. Great trails, great scenery and a great opportunity for reflection. Visit <http://www.thewayofstandrews.com/>

World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly

To mark this day, Holy Mass will be celebrated at the National Marian Shrine, Carfin, on Sunday 28 July at 3:00pm. The Principal Celebrant will be Bishop John Keenan (Paisley Diocese), who is President of the Bishops' Conference Marriage, Family and Life Commission. The Café will be open for refreshments.

Columba Trust - The Columba Trust provides funding to organisations and individuals to support projects which promote the Roman Catholic faith, its ministry and values. The deadline for applications this year is **31 July 2024**.

Further details about the Trust and how to apply for a grant can be found at: <https://columbatrust.org.uk/>

Events in the Archdiocese - For a full list of forthcoming events in the Archdiocese visit <https://archedinburgh.org/news-events/>

Save the Date – 3 October

Barbara Dickson will appear with Nick Holland at a special concert at St Mary's Cathedral, Edinburgh, on the evening of Thursday 3 October 2024. The concert is to raise funds for the roof appeal at the Cathedral. Details to follow soon.